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All Publications By Date

*50 Publications Found in 2006**Added December 29, 2006***Type: Letort Papers****Castro's Cuba: Quo Vadis?**

Authored by Dr. Francisco Wong-Diaz.

The United States, particularly the Army, has a long history of involvement with Cuba. What would be the strategic and political implications attendant to Castro's eventual demise or incapacitation?

*Added December 22, 2006***Type: Monograph****Learning from Iraq: Counterinsurgency in American Strategy**

Authored by Dr. Steven Metz.

In Iraq the U.S. Army has undertaken counterinsurgency, a type of activity it thought it had left behind with the end of the Cold War. In the long war against terror, counterinsurgency will remain a central element of American national security policy so it is important to assess the strategic implications of the Iraq campaign.

*Added December 15, 2006***Type: Monograph****Regional Fears of Western Primacy and the Future of U.S. Middle Eastern Basing Policy**

Authored by Dr. W. Andrew Terrill.

The United States has a core national interest in maintaining peace and stability in the Middle East as well as containing or eliminating threats emanating from that region. Yet, there is often disagreement on the ways to best achieve these goals.

*Added December 12, 2006***Type: Monograph****Russian Defense Reform: Current Trends**

Authored by Dr. Irina Isakova.

Since the fall of the Soviet Union, the topic of Russian defense policy has not received great attention. The rebuilding of Russian military strength is a high priority of President Vladimir Putin, and one to which he and his subordinates have devoted considerable time and resources. Therefore, inattention to Russian defense policy is unwise and even dangerous because it causes us to overlook potentially major changes not only in Russian policy, but in international affairs more generally.

*Added December 06, 2006***Type: Monograph****Russia, Iran, and the Nuclear Question: The Putin Record**

Authored by Dr. Robert O. Freedman.

This monograph demonstrates that Moscow, especially in the Putin era, has not been helpful with U.S. efforts to curb Iran's nuclear program. It also illustrates the dangers Moscow faces in pursuing such a pro-Iranian policy.

*Added December 01, 2006***Type: Op-Ed****Iraqi Security Forces and Lessons from Korea**

Authored by Dr. Sheila Miyoshi Jager.

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Added November 28, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Iran, Iraq, and the United States: The New Triangle's Impact on Sectarianism and the Nuclear Threat

Authored by Dr. Sherifa D. Zuhur.

This monograph considers the issues of Iranian influence in Iraq, and its impact on continuing sectarian violence there. The situation has been further complicated by the post-2003 change in the Iraqi Shi'a community's status, Iran's development of a nuclear program, and international efforts to contain that program.

Added November 21, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Defense Transformation: To What, For What?

Authored by Colonel Kevin Reynolds.

Beyond enhancing the lethality of U.S. forces on the conventional battlefield, where is defense transformation headed?

Added November 14, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

The NATO-Russia Partnership: A Marriage of Convenience or a Troubled Relationship?

Authored by Dr. Stephen J. Blank.

Since 2002 Russia has embarked upon a relationship of partnership with NATO, but close examination of this partnership shows an enormous amount of Rusisan ambivalence and, indeed, growing resistance to many of NATO's activities and programs. This growing ambivalence, and even estrangement, reflects both domestic Rusisan trends and the deterioration of East-West security ties.

Added November 08, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Ukraine After the Orange Revolution: Can It Complete Military Transformation and Join the U.S.-Led War on Terrorism?

Authored by Dr. Deborah Sanders.

Ukraine's ability to contribute to the U.S.-led war on terror through the provision of niche capabilities such as peacekeeping troops is contingent on successful military transformation, democratic consolidation, and good relations with neighbors. However, a more democratic Ukraine with democratically controlled armed forces might be less willing and able to deploy peacekeeping troops into a complex theatre of operation.

Added November 03, 2006

Type: **Op-Ed**

Transformation's Uncontested Truths

Authored by Dr. Antulio J. Echevarria, II.

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Added November 01, 2006

Type: **Letort Papers**

Alliances and American National Security

Authored by Dr. Elizabeth Sherwood-Randall.

In this era of American predominance, alliances are more compelling than ever. The United States needs allies to generate capabilities that amplify its power, create a basis of legitimacy for the exercise of its power, avert impulses to counterbalance its power, and steer partners away from strategic apathy or excessive self-reliance.

Added October 26, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

China-ASEAN Relations: Perspectives, Prospects, and Implications for U.S.

Interests

Authored by Dr. Jing-dong Yuan.

What explains China's successful diplomatic offensive and what implications do closer China-ASEAN ties have for the United States?

Added October 18, 2006

Type: **Letort Papers**

Confronting the Unconventional: Innovation and Transformation in Military Affairs

Authored by David Tucker.

Limitations on the ability of the U.S. military to innovate and transform to deal with irregular warfare pose policy and strategy dilemmas. The best way to deal with these dilemmas is to establish a new kind of interagency organization devoted to irregular warfare and an irregular warfare organization within DoD.

Added October 18, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Shaping China's Security Environment: The Role of the People's Liberation Army

Edited by Dr. Andrew Scobell, Dr. Larry M. Wortzel.

This volume addresses the role of the Chinese military in shaping its country's security environment.

Added October 05, 2006

Type: **Colloquium Brief**

Defense, Development, and Diplomacy (3D): Canadian and U.S. Military Perspectives

Authored by Dr. Max G. Manwaring.

The Strategic Studies Institute of the U.S. Army War College (USAWC); Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada; and the Canadian Land Forces Doctrine and Training System cosponsored a colloquium at Kingston, Ontario, Canada, on June 21-23, 2006.

Added October 04, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

North Korean Civil-Military Trends: Military-First Politics to a Point

Authored by Mr. Ken E. Gause.

Since 1998, Pyongyang's foremost policy has been declared as "military-first." Military leaders in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea are very powerful and influential figures. Who are they? What kind of power and influence do these leaders wield, and how do they exert it? How do KPA leaders interact with dictator Kim Jong Il and their civilian counterparts?

Added October 04, 2006

Type: **Op-Ed**

Fashion Tips for the Field Grade

Authored by Dr. Leonard Wong.

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Added September 26, 2006

Type: **Book**

Strategic Challenges for Counterinsurgency and the Global War on Terrorism

Edited by Dr. Williamson Murray.

This collection of essays written by students enrolled in the U.S. Army War College Advanced Strategic Art Program (ASAP) reflects the development of their strategic thought applied to a wide range of contemporary issues based in theory, doctrine, strategy and history.

Added September 06, 2006

Type: **Op-Ed**

"What If?" -- A Most Impertinent Question Indeed

Authored by Mr. Nathan P. Freier.

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Added August 28, 2006

Type: **Colloquium Report**

The Future of Transatlantic Security Relations

Edited by Dr. Joseph R. Cerami, Lieutenant General (USA, Ret) Richard A. Chilcoat, Patrick B Baetjer.

What changes, if any, are there in U.S. and European defense and foreign policy in the aftermath of the War in Iraq, particularly in light of a new consensus for coordinating U.S. and European military strategy, planning and operational activities. This conference report examines key dimensions of this relationship, which has major implications for global as well as regional security.

Added August 18, 2006

Type: **Student (Carlisle) Papers**

How to Make Army Force Generation Work for the Army's Reserve Components

Authored by Lieutenant Colonel Joseph E Whitlock.

This paper describes ARFORGEN, discusses some of its critical assumptions related to reserve component (RC) units, and explains what changes are required at the Department of Defense (DoD), Department of the Army (DA), and the individual RC levels so that the Army can integrate its RC units fully into ARFORGEN. The paper details needed changes at both the institutional and operational level at DA and DoD.

Added August 02, 2006

Type: **Op-Ed**

Doctrine that Works

Authored by Dr. Douglas V. Johnson, II.

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Added July 25, 2006

Type: **Student (Carlisle) Papers**

String of Pearls: Meeting the Challenge of China's Rising Power Across the Asian Littoral

Authored by Lieutenant Colonel Christopher J Pehrson.

The author describes the "String of Pearls" as the manifestation of China's rising geopolitical influence through efforts to increase access to ports and airfields, develop special diplomatic relationships, and modernize military forces that extend from the South China Sea through the Strait of Malacca, across the Indian Ocean, and on to the Arabian Gulf. The monograph examines the "String of Pearls" as an evolving maritime component of China's national strategy, implications for the U.S.-China relationship, and broader U.S. policy implications for the entire region.

Added July 17, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

2006 Key Strategic Issues List (KSIL)

Edited by Dr. Antulio J. Echevarria, II.

In today's dynamic strategic environment, political changes can become challenges very quickly. Any list of key strategic issues must, therefore, include the broadest array of regional and functional concerns. This is a catalogue of significant issues, arranged as potential research topics, of concern to U.S. policymakers. As such, the KSIL is a ready source of topics that members of the defense community and academia can use to focus their research efforts.

Added July 14, 2006

Type: **Op-Ed**

Canadian Defense Policy--A breath of Fresh Air

Edited by Dr. Alex Crowther.

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Added July 12, 2006

Type: **Book**

Taming the Next Set of Strategic Weapons Threats

Edited by Mr. Henry D. Sokolski.

Long discounted by arms control critics, traditional nonproliferation efforts now are undergoing urgent review and reconsideration even by their supporters. Why? In large part, because the current crop of nonproliferation understandings are ill-suited to check the spread of emerging long-range missile, biological, and nuclear technologies.

Added July 07, 2006

Type: **Student (Carlisle) Papers**

Friction in U.S. Foreign Policy: Cultural Difficulties with the World

Authored by Lieutenant Colonel Andrew W. Stewart.

The United States is so culturally blind by virtue of its successful "New World" experience of assimilating foreign cultures that it is unable to recognize the possibility that there are viable competing ideologies to American ideals for the world, including the Islamic world, China, and Latin America. If the United States were more "street smart" on the world scene, it could better identify nuanced subtleties and better leverage allies, who, in turn, are better positioned to further American ideals abroad.

Added June 16, 2006

Type: **Book**

U.S. Army War College Guide to National Security Policy and Strategy, 2nd Edition

Edited by Dr. J. Boone Bartholomees, Jr.

This edition of the U. S. Army War College Guide to National Security Policy and Strategy reflects both the method and manner the college uses to teach strategy formulation to America's future senior leaders. It contains essays on the general security environment, strategic thought and formulation, the elements of national power, the national security policymaking process in the United States, and selected strategic issues.

Added June 01, 2006

Type: **Op-Ed**

Value Projection and American Foreign Policy

Edited by Dr. Douglas J. Macdonald.

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Added May 31, 2006

Type: **Student (Carlisle) Papers**

Addicted to Oil: Strategic Implications of American Oil Policy

Authored by Commander Thomas D. Kraemer.

In his 2006 State of the Union address, President Bush proclaimed that "America is addicted to oil, which is often imported from unstable parts of the world." The plan he then proposed is step one in weaning America from its addiction, and is a necessary but not fully sufficient step to ensuring our future national security through Middle East Oil independence.

Added May 23, 2006

Type: **Letort Papers**

Strategic Planning by the Chairmen, Joint Chiefs of Staff, 1990 TO 2005

Authored by Dr. Richard M. Meinhart.

This Letort Paper addresses how the Chairmen, Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1990 to 2005 used a strategic planning system to respond to their global challenges.

Added May 08, 2006

Type: **Op-Ed**

Is Eurasia's Security Order at Risk?

Authored by Dr. Stephen J. Blank.

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Added April 26, 2006

Type: **Colloquium Report**

U.S. Military Operations in Iraq: Planning, Combat and Occupation

Authored by Shane Lauth, Kate Phillips, Erin Schenck. Edited by Dr. W. Andrew Terrill. Three years beyond the start of the transition to Phase IV, the debate continues about the adequacy of planning for and proficiency of execution of these operations in Iraq and elsewhere.

Added April 21, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Preventive War and Its Alternatives: The Lessons of History

Authored by Dr. Dan Reiter.

The author explores the effectiveness and risks of preventive attacks intended to combat the spread of nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons, as compared to other nonproliferation policy options. He concludes that preventive attacks are generally less effective, more dangerous, and more costly than other nonproliferation policy options.

Added April 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Counterterrorism in African Failed States: Challenges and Potential Solutions

Authored by Colonel Thomas A Dempsey.

How serious is the threat posed by terrorist groups operating from failed states in Africa? This monograph asserts that the threat is very serious indeed, and presents alternative U.S. strategies to confront terrorist groups using failed states as sanctuaries and platforms for attacks on America and its partners.

Added April 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

The Proliferation Security Initiative as a New Paradigm for Peace and Security

Authored by Dr. Mark R. Shulman.

The Proliferation Security Initiative is a multinational activity launched in 2003 to enable the United States and like-minded countries to interdict the flow of weapons of mass destruction. The author addresses some of the legal, political and strategic issues raised by this ambitious and timely initiative.

Added March 28, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Iron Troikas: The New Threat from the East

Authored by Dr. Richard J. Krickus.

The author explains how the Russian leadership has exploited its energy assets to advance its security interests in the vital East Baltic Sea Region, particularly Poland and the Baltic countries.

Added March 01, 2006

Type: **Colloquium Brief**

The Challenge of Governance and Security

Edited by Dr. Max G. Manwaring.

The Latin American and Caribbean Center of Florida International University, the U.S. Southern Command, and the Strategic Studies Institute of the U.S. Army War College held the ninth in a series of major annual conferences dealing with security and defense matters in the Western Hemisphere on February 1-3, 2006, in Miami, Florida.

Added March 01, 2006

Type: **Letort Papers**

Planning For and Applying Military Force: An Examination of Terms

Authored by Lieutenant General (USMC Ret) Paul K Van Riper.

Joint doctrine is currently undergoing some potentially major revisions. The author asks the doctrine community to take a step back from the process of change and take a hard look at the differences between the original concepts and the proposed revisions.

Added March 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Kim Jong Il and North Korea: The Leader and the System

Authored by Dr. Andrew Scobell.

North Korea is both a paradox and an enigma because on one hand, it appears to be a very powerful state—possessing the world's fourth largest armed forces, a sizeable arsenal of ballistic missiles, and a worrying nuclear program—but on the other, it is an economic basket case in terms of agricultural output, industrial production, and foreign trade exports.

Added March 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

CU @ The FOB: How the Forward Operating Base is Changing the Life of Combat Soldiers

Authored by Dr. Leonard Wong, Dr. Stephen J. Gerras.

The situation in post-war Iraq is producing combat veterans accustomed to a perspective of combat that differs greatly from past wars. The authors explore the facets of fighting from the FOB.

Added March 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Multilateral Constraints on the Use of Force: A Reassessment

Authored by Dr. Seyom Brown.

Although much of the controversy over the extent to which U.S. security policy ought to be constrained by multilateralism revolves around the role of the UN, the focus of this monograph is on the future of NATO.

Added March 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Training Indigenous Forces in Counterinsurgency: A Tale of Two Insurgencies

Authored by Dr. James S. Corum.

The Malaya and Cyprus insurgencies provide a dramatic contrast to the issue of training local security forces. In Malaya, the British developed a very successful strategy for training the Malayan Police and army. In Cyprus, the British strategy for building and training local security forces generally was ineffective.

Added March 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Irregular Enemies and the Essence of Strategy: Can the American Way of War Adapt?

Authored by Dr. Colin S. Gray.

At present and probably for some years to come, America's enemies are of an irregular character. These irregular enemies necessarily wage war in modes that are largely unconventional.

Added February 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Recognizing and Understanding Revolutionary Change in Warfare: The Sovereignty of Context

Authored by Dr. Colin S. Gray.

Revolution in Military Affairs (RMA) was the most widely used, and abused, acronym in the U.S. defense community in the 1990s. Subsequently, transformation has superseded it as the preferred term of art. For the better part of 2 decades, American defense professionals have been excited by the prospect of effecting a revolutionary change in the conduct and character of warfare.

Added February 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Strategic Theory for the 21st Century: The Little Book on Big Strategy

Authored by Dr. Harry R Yarger.

Strategy is often used as a general term for a plan, a concept, a course of action, or a "vision" of the direction in which to proceed at the personal, organizational, and governmental—local, state, or federal—levels. Such casual use of the term reduces strategy to just a good idea without the necessary underlying thought or development. What is the true meaning of strategy?

Added February 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

Information Operations: Putting the "I" Back Into DIME

Authored by Mr. Robert D. Steele.

In the Age of Information, the primary source of National Power is information that has been converted into actionable intelligence or usable knowledge. Information Operations is the critical ingredient in early warning, peacekeeping, stabilization & reconstruction, and homeland defense.

Added January 01, 2006

Type: **Book**

U.S.-UK Relations at the Start of the 21st Century

Edited by Dr. Jeffrey D. McCausland, Dr. Douglas Stuart.

This monograph explains the relationship between the United States and the United Kingdom (UK), especially its remarkable endurance over the past 6 decades.

Added January 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

A Hundred Osamas: Islamist Threats and the Future of Counterinsurgency

Authored by Dr. Sherifa D. Zuhur.

Has the Global War on Terror extinguished Islamic terrorism or given rise to a "hundred Osamas"? The discourse and strategies of the "new jihad" have evolved over three decades, and more finely honed counterstrategies and a better understanding of the ongoing Islamic revival are needed to defeat these enemies.

Added January 01, 2006

Type: **Monograph**

The Mexican Armed Forces in Transition

Authored by Colonel Ian Nicholls, Dr. Jordi Diez.

After the 9/11 attacks on the United States, homeland defense became the primary issue in U.S. defense policy. It was clear that homeland defense would have to become a trilateral continental issue and include Canada and Mexico.

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